



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **IRINO, Kiyoshi**

Serial No.: 09/428,052

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For. **SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE CONTAINING NITROGEN IN A GATE OXIDE FILM**

Group Art Unit: 2815

Examiner: Jose R. Diaz

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: December 13, 2002

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2002 for one month from November 14, 2002 to December 14, 2002.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. Two copies of this paper are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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